

## Traveling back in time

If I was to be given the opportunity of traveling back in time, I would certainly stop in Britain in the time of the reign of the first female English queen - Elizabeth I. I have always been fascinated by this extraordinary Historical figure who had such significant influence on this country and the history.

This decision of my past time destination occurs to me quite naturally for history is one of my life-long interests, especially the period around 15th and 16th century. Although I am aware that living in those times was not as comfortable as it is nowadays, thanks to all the inventions of the modern life, i would love to explore the spirit of the life centuries ago.

Living in England in the 16th century might take me to London, where Shakespeare just opened his Globe. Watching one of his famous plays I could catch a glimpse of the queen, dressed in clothes of an ordinary woman, surrounded by her servants. She was said to attend the theatre in disguise in order to amuse herself and scape from the formality of her royal court.

My next destination could be a lively market, where i would watch the hussle of the everyday life of ordinary people coming there to sell handmade potery and fabrics or buy some fresh eggs and bread.

My main interest would be the queen, as I mentioned before. Having seen a great documentary based on her life recently I can't help wondering how this subtle woman managed to rule her country successfully for so many years. She must have been a person of a magnificent character and skills if she was to lead the country in those unsettled times of continuous wars against Spain and France. She defeated rebellion initiated by her cousin Mary and by many others, who didn't like to see her on the throne. Surprisingly, she had never got married. It might have been a part of her strategy how to keep the fragile peace. But it would be her devotion for the nation and her people's welfare as she once proclaimed.

That is why I want to travel to the Elizabeth times and meet this fantastic person whose strength and personal experience could teach me a lot and whom cannot help to admire.

Mexican Proud.

Mexico is a vast country that has given birth to many personalities well known around the world. One of them certainly is Pedro Infante singer and film star of the known "Golden Era of Film making" (in Mexico 1950) who tragically died in an airplane accident.

Pedro Infante could reflect the essence of being Mexican cheerful, warmhearted, sincere and of course a good tequila drinker. People that knew him closer say that he was the same on his movies and on his personal life. He had "that something" that grab the attention of the people around him.

His songs are strictly for Mexican parties where the tequila is drunk in good quantities, and the people enjoy to dance, where being "macho" is the correct thing and carrying a gun is a way of show and get respect.

His image of "Mexican macho" with his moustache and his hat arriving, to the "cantina" with a bottle of tequila and with the "Mariachi" behind singing colorful songs in unforgettable!

Review - Book which has helped me in my job.

I am working as a tourist guide and I am going to write about the book which helped me in a job.

The book is called *The Lady in the Tower* and is written by Jean Plaidy. It is set in England in 1530 and this true story is told by Anne Boleyn, the second wife of Henry the VIII. She describes her life since she was 5 years old until she is imprisoned in the Tower of London and executed. She writes about her life in French Court, meeting the French and English kings about the King's passion for her and intrigues in the English Court. Sometimes she feels betrayed by everybody even by king her husband who starting to hate her and be rid of her. As everybody knows Anne Boleyn was well known for her sixth nail which caused her sleepless nights.

*The Lady in the Tower* is rich and detailed in plot, providing many layers for the reader explore. As you can see this book is predominantly a historical book.

As for characterisation, Jean Plaidy is extremely successful in writing historical books, for example in *The shadow of the crown*, *The queen of her realm* and so on.

What did I learn from this book? Especially, I learned more about the English history, how people lived and how they dressed at that time.

I have just one caveat about this book and it is the length. At over 500 pages, it is just a bit too long. In spite of this, I literally could not put it down.

I would highly recommend this book to everybody who does the same kind of job as me because the details about the English history will stay in your mind forever and you can use them actually everywhere as a tourist guide,